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"MEDICAL SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE FOR INTERACTIVE

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the following document be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AL PCT Application WO 00/30012

### **EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE**

Reference AL was cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination of the counterpart German application.

A copy of reference AL together with Form 1449 is submitted herewith.

A complete translation of reference AL is not readily available to the Applicants, however, reference AL includes an English language abstract in the text thereof, and another English abstract is also attached thereto.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

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Should this Information Disclosure Statement cross in the mail with a first Office Action, it is still in compliance with 37 C.F.R.§ 1.97(c), and no fee is necessary. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel states, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e)(1), that Reference AL was first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in connection with a foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of reference AL, taken alone or in combination with the previously submitted reference. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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